

ARREST SUSPECT AS MIDDLEMAN OF BOMB THROWERS

Vito Catalano Trained Since
Blowing Up of Quarantined
Tenement.

LETTERS GAVE A CLUE.

Police Declare Black Hand Di-
rects Victims to Financial
Go-Between.

The bomb throwing in the tenement at No. 35 East Seventy-fifth street at 5 o'clock on the morning of Feb. 5 was one of the worst outrages attributed to the Black Hand in the Yorkville section. A quarantine sign hung at the street door—there were three or four cases of scarlet fever in the close-packed building and one dead child was laid out on an upper floor awaiting burial.

Apparently the explosive was intended for the grocery store of Giuseppe Trabacchi, on the ground floor. The owner of the store denied at first that he had received any threatening letters, but a subsequent statement from him led the Central Office to decide that Vito Catalano, a saloon-keeper, might be wanted. Ever since Detective McKee, Mr. Mahon and Grotano have been on the lookout for Vito Catalano. He stayed away from his saloon at No. 41 East Thirtieth street until yesterday. Then he turned up there and the detectives, who were watching outside, nabbed the suspect and took him to Headquarters.

This morning when he was arraigned in the Yorkville Court the police asserted that he had been committed for forty-eight hours as a suspicious person. In a statement given out at Headquarters it was asserted that most of the Black Hand letters which had been received by well-to-do Italians on the upper east side in recent months contained a line intimating that a certain saloonkeeper should be seen at once if the recipient of the letter hoped to escape assassination or an explosion in his shop.

"From what we've been able to gather," said an official at No. 30 Mulberry street, "one branch of the Black Hand has introduced a new wrinkle into the business by having a sort of roving broker to arrange the financial arrangements, probably on a commission, and to act as the official go-between."

The postponement of the hearing to-day was asked in order that the police might have time to find some victim who had really done business with the "middle man" and who would be brave enough to make an identification in court.

TRIES AUTO-SWEEPER ON CITY'S STREETS

New Machine Does Work of
Fifty Men and Appears to
Do It Well.

Street-Cleaning Commissioner Edwards is trying out a forty-horse-power auto street-sweeper to-day. The new machine, the first of its kind ever built in this country, sprinkles and sweeps at the same time and is said to have a great capacity for work. It is as easily manipulated or directed as a pleasure power vehicle and does the work of fifty men.

Gasoline is used and a powerful engine drives the machine as well as the revolving sweepers which brush the dirt from the pavement, leaving it in a piled up trail in the wake of the fast moving machine. Commissioner Edwards was much pleased with the work shown by the device, but would not further comment himself until he said he had put the machine through numerous tests in various parts of the city.

"THE DREAM OF GERONTIUS"

DRAWN A LARGE AUDIENCE.

Edgar's "The Dream of Gerontius," a beautiful musical setting of Cardinal Newman's poem, which established the English composer's reputation here some six years ago, was sung again by the Oratorio Society under Dr. Frank Damrosch, at Carnegie Hall on Saturday night. Gervase Elwes, the English tenor, brought over for this occasion and to sing later in Verdi's "Passion," made an excellent impression, especially by his rendition of "The Song of the Clouds." Claude Cunningham, the other soloists, and the chorus did excellent work. No so long ago only "The Messiah" could attract a crowd to hear music. Saturday night's large and appreciative audience was another tribute to New York's improved musical taste.

"LA NAVARRAISE" REVIVED;

"SALOME" ONCE MORE.

"La Navarraise" was revived at the Metropolitan Opera-House on Saturday afternoon and heartily applauded by a large audience. When this opera of Massenet's was produced at the Metropolitan Opera-House, it was a matter of appreciation. Another evidence of the change in public taste. Gervase Elwes, as the tenor, and Valter, Dufranne, Vassallo, Crabbe, and Grandjean, impersonated the principal characters effectively. "Pagliacci" with Lavinia Zanolini and Samarcia, was admirably sung, as the evening "Salome," with Mary Garden, Dalmore and Fritzsche, and the kind was a crowded house spellbound.

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TWO WOMEN ROBBED, SIX BOYS ARE HELD

Detective Spiro Has a Busy
Sunday Afternoon on
Avenue B.

Detective David Spiro, of Central Office, arraigned in the Children's Court to-day before Justice Mayor six boys captured yesterday afternoon on Avenue B between Second and Fourth streets.

Against three a technical charge of improper guardianship was made, while the others were charged with grand larceny. Spiro said he was standing at Fourth street and Avenue B yesterday afternoon when he saw three boys running as if afraid of being followed. He saw no one after them and watched. They stopped and then quarreled over some money, and he heard enough to convince him the cash had been stolen. He arrested the boys, who gave the names of Harry Hamersmith, eleven years old, of No. 415 Lexington street, Abraham Krakauer, fifteen, of No. 18 Avenue C street, and Joseph Hirsch, thirteen, of No. 91 Lewis street. Hamersmith admitted that he had stolen \$4 from a woman. The three were remanded until Saturday.

An hour after he had arrested the three boys Spiro, while at Third street and Avenue B, saw a woman chasing two boys from Second street. He handed the boys off and the woman, Dora Peddel, of No. 125 Avenue D, said they had stolen a small purse containing a pair of diamond earrings valued at \$4 and thirty cents in cash from her handbag.

Spiro arrested the two boys, who gave the names of Harry Hamersmith, eleven years old, of No. 415 Lexington street, and Louis Krassner, twelve, of No. 310 East Fourth street. The purse and earrings were not found on them, but they gave a clue, on which the detectives arrested Harry Titelaum, thirteen years old, of No. 31 East Fourth street. The purse and jewelry were recovered. The three prisoners were held in \$1,000 bail each for examination Wednesday.

BONDHOLDERS LOSE 2D AVE. LEASE CASE

Court Sustains Receiver Re-
garding Agreement Met.
Refused to Assume.

Justice O'Gorman, in the Supreme Court to-day, denied the application of Morris Helmsdorfer and several other bondholders of the Second Avenue Railroad Company, to issue instructions to George W. Lynch, the receiver of the Second Avenue Company, with regard to the assumption by him of the lease from that corporation to the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, which he refuses to do. Foreclosure proceedings have been instituted against the road.

Justice O'Gorman says that the mere fact that the receivers of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company have refused to assume the lease and carry out its conditions does not abolish the lease.

With reference to a further application by the bondholders to have instructions issued to Receiver Lynch to have the interchange of transfers provided by the lease to the Metropolitan Company carried out, Justice O'Gorman says the obligation imposed by the railroad law is binding upon the receiver, when the motion was made, filed a statement in which he said he did not think it was practicable to carry out the requests of the bondholders.

"AL" DEXTER, WELL KNOWN THEATRICAL MAN, IS DEAD.

Manager of the Palisades Amuse-
ment Park a Victim of
Pneumonia.

Al H. Dexter, fifty-eight years old, one of the old school of circus, theatrical and amusement resorts managers, died to-day at Palisades, N. J., on the Palisades overlooking Edge-water, following a severe attack of pleuro-pneumonia.

He was a hotel proprietor in his younger days and was the first clerk in the Grand Union Hotel, New York. With others he opened the Palisades Amusement Park last summer. He had planned to go to a military academy at Worcester, Mass. He was born at Worcester. A widow and five children survive him.

SLAYER MUST DIE.

No Sanity Commission for Herron.

Who Killed Metuchen Minister.

TRENTON, N. J., March 22.—By a unanimous vote the Court of Errors to-day upheld the action of the Mercer County Court of Common Pleas in refusing to appoint a commission to inquire into the mental condition of Archibald Herron, convicted of the murder of Rev. Samuel B. D. Peckham, at Metuchen, last July.

Herron was to have been electrocuted some time ago, but the matter could not be carried out until the matter could be taken before the Court of Errors. This reprieve expires on Friday next, and unless the Court of Errors commutes the sentence Herron will in all probability be put to death some day next week.

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BAD WRITING NO EXCUSE FOR LOSS OF PARCEL

Court Rules that Express Com-
panies Are Responsible Even
Though Address Be Illegible

Justice Goldersleeve, MacLean and Dayton, comprising the Appellate Term of the Supreme Court, to-day affirmed a judgment of the First District Municipal Court in favor of Julius Magnus, who sued Thomas Collier Platt, as president of the United States Express Company, to recover \$25.00 for the depreciation of heavy-weight woolen goods, which had been mislaid in transit. The Municipal Court gave judgment for the full amount, but the Appellate Term reduces this amount to \$9 on the ground that this sum is the most that can be recovered against the express company as a carrier.

Justice MacLean writes the opinion of the Court and reviews the circumstances of the case. The entire case rested on the legality of the address on the package, which was sent to A. J. Banks, East Orange, N. J.

"Within limitations exercising in a sense a public employment, exploiting territory among themselves, carriers have duties toward the public," the opinion says. "There is no legal rule that carriers will take only parcels legibly addressed, or that parcels without addresses at all may not be given to and taken by the carriers' driver. The pioneers of parcel transportation between the Hudson and the Pacific, and who became chiefs in their line, could hardly read and scarcely wrote at all. Even now, at least within a few years, systematic stowage in the vehicle is or was the mnemonic aid for distribution of the parcels carried, because the capable driver, intelligent in other things than letters, could not even make out the tags in the star route pouches of the United States mail."

Justice MacLean says that whatever the name and address were, or whether the parcel was addressed at all, the defendant undertook to deliver the parcel to A. J. Banks at East Orange, and its failure to do so was prima facie proof of its negligence.

BIG AUTO CRUSHES A STREET-CLEANER

Liefschitz Steps in the Path of
Lawyer Canfield's Car on
West End Avenue.

A touring car driven south on West End avenue this afternoon knocked down Mender Liefschitz, thirty-eight years old, of No. 164 East Ninety-eighth street, at Seventy-ninth street, pinning the man beneath the car. He received injuries, from which he may die in the J. Hood Wright Hospital, where he was taken.

Liefschitz evidently did not see the automobile coming. He backed directly in front of it as it approached. The chauffeur, Isaac Lornsborg, thirty-six years old, of Peasick, stopped the car, but not before the street cleaner had been pinned to the pavement by the machinery.

Lornsborg was locked up on a charge of felonious assault by Policemen Schneider. He said he was on his way to the home of the employer, George Canfield, a lawyer, in the Chatwood Apartment House, at Seventy-second street and Riverside Drive. Mr. Canfield's office is at No. 10 Wall street.

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DIES FROM GAS AFTER PARTY IN BROTHER'S HONOR

Louis A. Levy, Wealthy Al-
banian. Accidentally Left
Fluid Turned On.

Louis A. Levy, wealthy, married, for M. Sazman Company, wholesale liquor dealers of Albany, N. Y., died in the Harlem Hospital to-day. He had been accidentally overcome by illuminating gas in his room at the boarding house kept by Mrs. Emma Muller, at No. 123 West One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street. Two physicians worked over Mr. Levy, who was sixty-one years old, for almost an hour in the hope of saving his life.

Mr. Levy came down to New York

yesterday to attend the festivities in connection with the celebration of the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of his brother, Henry Levy, who lives at the West One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street address, the retrospective last night. A maid detected the odor of gas in passing his room on the third floor of the house to-day. She knocked on the door, receiving no answer, she called Henry Levy, who forced open the door and found his brother in bed, undressed and unconscious.

Mr. James Mark, of No. 135 West One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street, was summoned, and he is now in the neighborhood. The two tried their best to restore Mr. Levy to consciousness, but without success. Then they notified Harlem Hospital, but by the time Dr. Gillette arrived with the ambulance Mr. Levy was dead. A gas jet in the room was partly turned on, but as the window was open, there is no doubt that death was accidental.

Mr. Levy was almost frantic when it was announced that his brother was dead. Louis Levy did not want to come to New York to attend the wedding anniversary celebration, because it was so busy at home, but yielded to Henry Levy's solicitation and made the trip.

KILLED FOR INSULT TO WOMAN.

PHILADELPHIA, March 22.—John Kane twenty-three, was stabbed to death yesterday by Frank Taylor, nineteen, of Camden. Taylor was the escort of a woman whom Kane is said to have insulted. Taylor and three companions were arrested.

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